



GET A HANDLE ON WASTE & RECYCLING

Discover how better recycling
is better for business



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HOW BETTER WASTE MANAGEMENT CAN DELIVER FOR YOUR BUSINESS

Reduce costs, increase sustainability and meet your legal obligations

From meeting the demands of the post-pandemic boom to grappling with increased operational costs, reassessing your facility's waste management systems may have fallen down your priority list. But with sustainability targets to hit and new commercial recycling legislation on the way, re-evaluating your waste and recycling practices could see your business benefit, including financially.

This guide will explain how making simple changes to your waste management systems can help your facility to cut costs, comply with new recycling legislation and achieve key sustainability targets.

Are you ready for new recycling rules?

New commercial recycling rules are on their way to Wales (from April 2024) and England (March 2025) that mean businesses **must** separate recyclable waste prior to collection. With non-compliance potentially resulting in hefty fines and even civil sanctions, it is essential to understand what is legally required of your business when it comes to recycling and handling commercial waste.

But meeting your legal obligations isn't the only benefit of better recycling...

Better Recycling. Bigger gains.

Sustainability goals and targets are in place for more than 80% of warehouse and logistics businesses, but for 60%, the perceived cost, complexity and lack of human resources to implement them are serious challenges¹.

Installing an efficient multi-stream recycling system throughout your facility is a simple change that will deliver a package of benefits:



Reduction in waste management costs



Help to hit sustainability goals with measurable outcomes



Compliance with upcoming commercial waste legislation



Improvement in recycling efficiency by separation at source

¹ European Logistics & Supply Chain Sustainability Report, researched by Analytiqa.





DPD DELIVERS TANGIBLE COST AND WASTE SAVINGS

Leading European parcel group DPD is a passionate advocate of corporate responsibility, and with the aim of becoming the “greenest delivery service on planet” implemented multi-stream recycling stations at its depot locations, resulting in impressive environmental and business savings.



Introducing Slim Jim® Recycling Stations has made a tangible difference with residual waste reduced by a third on the sites where the bins have been installed and individual sites achieving recycling rates over 90% against our achieved business target of 70%.”

Olly Craughan, Head of Sustainability for DPD.

6,500

tonnes diverted
away from general
waste disposal

27%

cost savings

90%

recycling rates

ROI

in under
12 months

THE HIDDEN COST OF PERSONAL WASTE

When you think about internal sources of waste in your warehouse, operational waste and packaging might spring to mind first, but personal waste must not be overlooked. In fact, significant savings could be made by implementing multi-stream recycling stations in staff areas and communal spaces to capture the recyclable plastic bottles, food packaging and food waste that are all too often forgotten and could be draining your budget.



WHAT DOES GOOD RECYCLING LOOK LIKE?

How to implement effective multi-stream recycling in your facility

Implementing a multi-stream system will help you increase recycling rates and improve efficiency, but what should you be looking out for when choosing your recycling stations?

Modularity maximises results

Modular systems allow you to install bins that improve recycling rates without disruption to productivity and effectiveness. With a range of areas to service, all with different volumes and types of waste to deal with, modularity allows for a tailored approach to each.

Modular systems allow you to **separate waste into the appropriate streams easily and minimise the risk of costly cross-contamination**. They are also typically easier to maintain and clean versus 'all in one' systems.



Visibility adds value

Make recycling easy by making it visible. Minimise the risk of costly cross-contamination and maximise recycling rates with clear and colour-coded signage that encourages straightforward separation at source.

Choosing a manufacturer who can provide many different types of bins with consistent colour-coding and messaging across all your containers will **help you to embed a culture of recycling compliance within your facility**, as well as demonstrate your dedication to sustainability.



Durability drives success

Investing in durability is key for businesses who want solutions that withstand the tough demands of the warehouse and logistics sector.

In fact, opting for bins that last longer could see you cut their environmental impact by 72% and commercial costs by a third².

Reducing the need for frequent replacements means you buy better and waste less, helping you support sustainability targets as well as cutting costs.

For added peace of mind, look for bins that come with long warranties.



² RCP Love Sustainability insights report: Why product longevity is a powerful first step to improving commercial sustainability

WHAT'S NEXT?

Read the next guide in our series

The next guide in our series will walk you through how to identify opportunities to increase recycling and reduce costs in the different areas of your facility.



You can download it [here](#).



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